

DIVISION I FIELD HOCKEY ALL TIME CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET NORTH REGIONAL – SECOND ROUND

ODU 1983

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UConn 1983

19-1 • NCAA Champions

GAA: .40 GpG: 4.50 MoV: 4.10

19-1-2 • NCAA Runners-Up

GAA: .36 GpG: 2.73 MoV: 2.60

The 1983 Lady Monarchs opened with six straight clean sheets before a 5-1 defeat of Lafayette stopped the shutout streak. ODU put sandwiched a pair of shutouts around a 3-1 win over Temple before suffering what would be their only loss of the year, a 1-0 defeat to UConn. Six straight victories closed out the regular season, with four by shutout. The Lady Monarchs won their second consecutive NCAA title this season, riding a defense that allowed only five goals in the regular season. Behind All-Americans Christy Morgan, Adele Meas and Evaline Veraat, ODU was seeded second in the tournament. The Lady Monarchs opened up against UNC and defeated them 8-0 before surrendering two goals for the first time in 1983 against UMass, but the Lady Monarchs outlasted them with a goal in OT to advance to the final. In the rematch against UConn, the teams were tied at the end of regulation, but the Lady Monarchs scored twice in overtime to defeat UConn for the title.

The 1983 Huskies raced out of the gates, notching seven straight shutouts to open the season in a streak that lasted over 517 minutes and saw 27 consecutive UConn goals. The tie against Dartmouth was followed by three straight shutouts that started a nine-game streak in which UConn outscored opponents 24-2 and posted seven clean sheets. A tie against UMass was followed by a win over Northeastern to close out the regular season. UConn entered the NCAA tournament unbeaten, posting a 17-0-2 record and earning the top seed. The Huskies advanced to the national title game but fell to ODU 3-1 in three overtimes, their only loss of the season. They allowed only five goals in the regular season, the third-best scoring defense in Division I history, behind All-American Terry Kix in the cage, who had 16 shutouts that season. All-American Laurie Decker won the Honda Award, while Wendy Hug, Janet Ryan, Rose Smith, Cindy Dysenchuk, and Lisa D'Amadio also earned All-American honors.

